

# **ROMSEY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

## **PROGRAMME 2026**

Please note most of our January and February meetings will be held on Zoom. Members will receive invitations to the Zoom meetings with the link details. Visitors can obtain the link by contacting the society by email at:

[romsey.history@gmail.com](mailto:romsey.history@gmail.com)

### **FEBRUARY**

#### **Easter Island**

*Speaker: Francis Taylor  
Date: Monday 9th February 7.30pm  
Zoom Meeting*

#### **North Baddesley - A Slide Show**

*Host: Jane Powell  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Friday 20th February 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start*

#### **The Romsey Pageant 1907**

*Speaker: Barbara Burbridge  
Date: Thursday 26th February 7.30pm  
Zoom meeting*

### **MARCH**

#### **Health and Disease in prehistory part 3**

*Speaker: Prof. Margaret Cox  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Monday 2nd March 7.30pm*

#### **Girl Guides - A Slide Show**

*Host: Phoebe Merrick  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Friday 20th March 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start*

### **BOOK LAUNCH postponed to 22nd June**

#### **The History of Romsey Abbey until the Dissolution**

*Speaker: Mary Harris  
Venue: Town Hall Council Chamber  
Date: Thursday 26th March 7.30pm*

### **APRIL**

#### **A Historian's Search for the Everyday Life of Townspeople in the late Middle Ages**

*Speaker: Prof Chris Woolgar  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Monday 20th April 7.30pm*

#### **A Walk - to Studley Castle, site of Medieval Hunting Lodge. Joint with Romsey and District Society**

*Leader: Prof. Roger Leech  
Date: Wednesday 22nd April 7.00pm  
Meeting Place: Bramshaw Telegraph car park*

#### **Ampfield - A Slide Show**

*Host: Lynda Emery  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Friday 24th April 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start*

#### **Netley Abbey**

*Speaker: Dr Cheryl Butler  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Thursday 30th April 7.30pm*

### **MAY**

#### **A Walk - Tadburn Stream - East**

*Leader: Alec Morley  
Date: Monday 11th May 6.30pm for 6.45pm start  
Meeting Place: The Rapids car park*

### **Places of Worship - A Slide Show**

*Host: Phoebe Merrick  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Friday 22nd May 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start*

#### **A Walk - Belbins to Timsbury Canal**

*Leader: Alec Morley  
Date: Thursday 28th May 6.30pm for 6.45pm start  
Meeting Place: tba*

### **JUNE**

#### **Don't Delay - Enrol Today" Women's Land Army**

*Speaker: Dr John Lander  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Monday 8th June 7.30pm*

#### **The Moody Family Album- A Slide Show**

*Host: Ronnie Munday  
Venue: Town Hall Court Room  
Date: Friday 19th June 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start*

#### **BOOK LAUNCH New Edition of *So Drunk He Must Have Been to Romsey***

*Speaker: Janet Kearns  
Venue: Town Hall Council Chamber  
Date: Monday 22nd June 7.30pm*

#### **A Walk - The Past and Present pubs of Romsey**

*Leaders: Janet Kearns & Mary Harris  
Date: Thursday 25th June 6.30pm  
Meeting Place: The Charter Stone, Church Street.*

## JULY

### Romsey Festival

**Friday 3rd & Saturday 4th July 10am-4pm**

### Exhibition in Romsey Town Hall

Guided Walks around the historic centre of Romsey Monday 6th July 6pm; Wednesday 8th July 2pm; Thursday 16th 10am. Cost £3 please book through the Festival website.

## AUGUST

### Events in the Market Place - A Slide Show

**Host:** Phoebe Merrick

**Venue:** Town Hall Council Chamber

**Date:** Friday 14th August 2pm coffee for 2.30pm start

## SEPTEMBER

### The Turking of Mrs Pelham 1,2,3 ....and her connections with Rownhams & Romsey Abbey".

**Speaker:** Alec Morley

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Monday 14th September 7.30pm

### A Walk/Vist - tba

**Date:** Tuesday 15th September 10.30am

### Female Secret Agents of the SOE

**Speaker:** Louise Morrish

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Thursday 24th September 7.30pm

## OCTOBER

### The environmental archaeological work from Winchester

**Speaker:** Frank Green

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Monday 12th October 7.30pm

## Medieval Women and where to find them.

**Speaker:** Cindy Wood

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room.

**Date:** Thursday 22nd October 7.30pm

## Mottisfont Village - a Slide Show

**Host:** Phoebe Merrick

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Friday 23rd October 2.pm coffee for 2.30pm start

## NOVEMBER

### AGM followed by a talk on Romsey Tanneries

**Speaker:** Ronnie Munday

**Venue:** Town Hall Council Chamber

**Date:** Monday 2nd November 7.30pm

## Pictures from the 1950s - a Slide Show

**Host:** Phoebe Merrick

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Friday 20th November 2.pm coffee for 2.30pm start

## Romsey Signal Box

**Speaker:** Dick Hewitt

**Venue:** Town Hall Court Room

**Date:** Thursday 26th November 7.30pm

## DECEMBER

### Christmas Film Show and refreshments

**Venue:** Town Hall Council Chamber

**Date:** Monday 14th December 7pm for 7.30pm

# Romsey Local History Society (LTVAS Group)



## Programme of Events 2026

All meetings free to members.  
Visitors welcome, donation appreciated.

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